GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:990
ANSWERED ON:06.03.2007
IMPROVEMENT IN MARKETING INFRASTRUCTURE OF COTTON
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has sanctioned any amount to improve marketing infrastructure and modernize ginning and pressing factories under the Technology Mission on Cotton;

(b) if so, the details thereof during each of the last three years, State and Union Territory-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to empower to Cotton Corporation of India (CCI) to decide about Minimum Support Price (MSP) in States; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES(SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) & (b): Yes sir. Government of India sanction funds for Mini Mission-III (improvement in marketing infrastructure) and Mini Mission-IV (modernization of ginning and pressing factories) under Technology Mission on Cotton (TMC) together, on all India basis and not State-wise and Union Territory-wise. The projects are sanctioned on first come basis provided they fulfil the terms & conditions for sanction.The State-wise and Year-wise details of funds released to Agriculture Produce Market Committees (APMC) under Mini Mission-III and IV are as under:-

Sl No	State	2003-04 MM-III	2003-04 MM-IV	2003-04 Total	2004-05 MM-III	2004-05 MM-IV	2004-05 Total	2005-06 MM-III	2005-06 MM-IV	2005-06 Total
1	Punjab	55.88		55.88	57.12		55.80	112.92		
2	Haryana	253.26		253.26	61.58		61.58	67.89		67.89
3	Rajasthan	65.26		65.26	38.06		38.06	45.66		45.66
4	Madhya Pradesh	109.59		109.59	122.05		122.05	280.90	23.57	304.47
5	Gujarat	438.57	1355.88	1794.45	128.72	551.68	680.40	234.00	529.80	763.80
6	Andhra Pradesh	437.00	20.00	457.00	286.43	54.00	340.43	57.30	99.59	156.89
7	Karnataka	124.89	40.00	164.89	108.64	2.70	111.34	18.97	0.00	18.97
8	Tamil Nadu	125.21	0.00	125.21	46.19	0.00	46.19	14.54	31.00	45.54
9	Orissa	22.70	0.00	22.70	53.53	20.00	73.53	43.06	0.00	43.06
10	Maharashtra	322.79	475.79	798.58	214.74	928.89	1143.63	683.69	355.72	1039.41
	Total	1899.27	1891.67	3790.94	1115.82	1557.27	2673.09	1503.13	1095.48	2598.61
	Contingencies	118.07		90.32		127.15				
	GRAND TOTAL	3909.01		2763.71		2725.76				

FUNDS RELEASED DURING 2006-07

(Upto 31st January 2007) Mini-Mission-III	980.53
Mini-Mission-IV	1541.71
Contingencies	103.59
TOTAL	2625.83

(c) & (d): No Sir. The Government of India has nominated the Cotton Corporation of India Ltd. (CCI) as the nodal agency for conducting MSP operations in cotton. As and when kapas prices touch the MSP level, the CCI is mandated to procure cotton offered at MSP declared by the Government of India without any quantitative restriction. The MSP of cotton is announced by Government of

India on the recommendations of the Commission on Agricultural Costs and Prices

(CACP), Ministry of Agriculture.